

## NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

## Niggel Associates Site 2806 and 2812 William H. Tuller Drive, Columbia, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through October 21, 2014.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 14-6264-NRP, will affect approximately 1.5 acres identified by Tax Map Serial Numbers R11215-08-03 and R11215-08-04. A company known as C&D Properties, LLC ("C&D) wants to buy the property from its current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and C&D.

The Property is within a light industrial area bounded to the north by William H. Tuller Drive; to the east by Colprovia Asphalt Plant; to the south by a Norfolk Southern railroad yard; and to the west by WW Hutto, LLC dba Brabham Fence Company. The western portion of the Property was within the footprint of the former F.S. Royster Guano Company, a fertilizer producer. The fertilizer manufacturing process impacted soil with elevated concentrations of arsenic and lead. It is reported that Niggel and Associates operated as a ceramic tile manufacturing company and also manufactured a type of lamination (epoxy) for flooring used on gymnasium floors. An automobile repair facility, Mobile Mechanic, also operated at this location.

C&D intends to acquire the Property and use the Property for storage and warehousing. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow C&D to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. C&D did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under the proposed contract, C&D will assess Waste Materials and Segregated Sources such as paint and lacquers and will test soil and groundwater from the Property. If significant contamination is found, C&D will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC will not hold C&D responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, C&D will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to return Brownfield sites to productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at <a href="http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/Land">http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/Land</a>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through October 21, 2014. Questions or comments may be directed to Jo Cherie Overcash, Project Manager, email <a href="OvercaJC@dhec.sc.gov">OvercaJC@dhec.sc.gov</a> or telephone (803) 898-0924, or Alex Fulmer, email <a href="FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov">FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov</a> or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.